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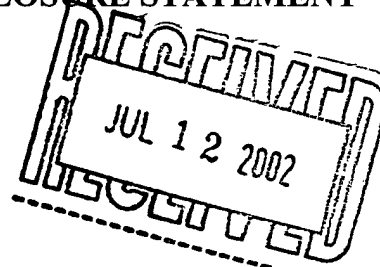
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:



In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on January 17, 2002, Applicants hereby call the following documents, which were cited in a Japanese Notice of the Reason for the Rejection, issued on April 2, 2002 for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 9-536037, which is based on Japanese Patent Application No. 8-82296, to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. JP 5-14407, published on January 22, 1993, together with an English language translation of a relevant portion thereof;

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. JP 6-141041, published on May 20, 1994, together with an English language translation of a relevant portion thereof; and

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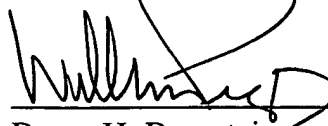
Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. JP 5-316309, published on November 26, 1993, together with an English language Abstract thereof.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all of the above materials and cite the same. Copies of the patents translations and abstract, as well as a copy of the Japanese Notice of the Reason for the Rejection (together with an English language translation thereof) are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the PTO-1449 Form and to return the form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application and thus consideration of the above-cited documents is appropriate.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed number.

Respectfully submitted,
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